(2)
$$Si(OH)_4 + OH \rightleftharpoons HSiO_3 + 2H_2O$$

(3)
$$2HSiO_3$$
 \rightleftharpoons $SiO_2 + 2H_2O$

(4)
$$HSiO_3 + OH$$
 \rightleftharpoons $SiO_3 + H_2O$

Fig. 1

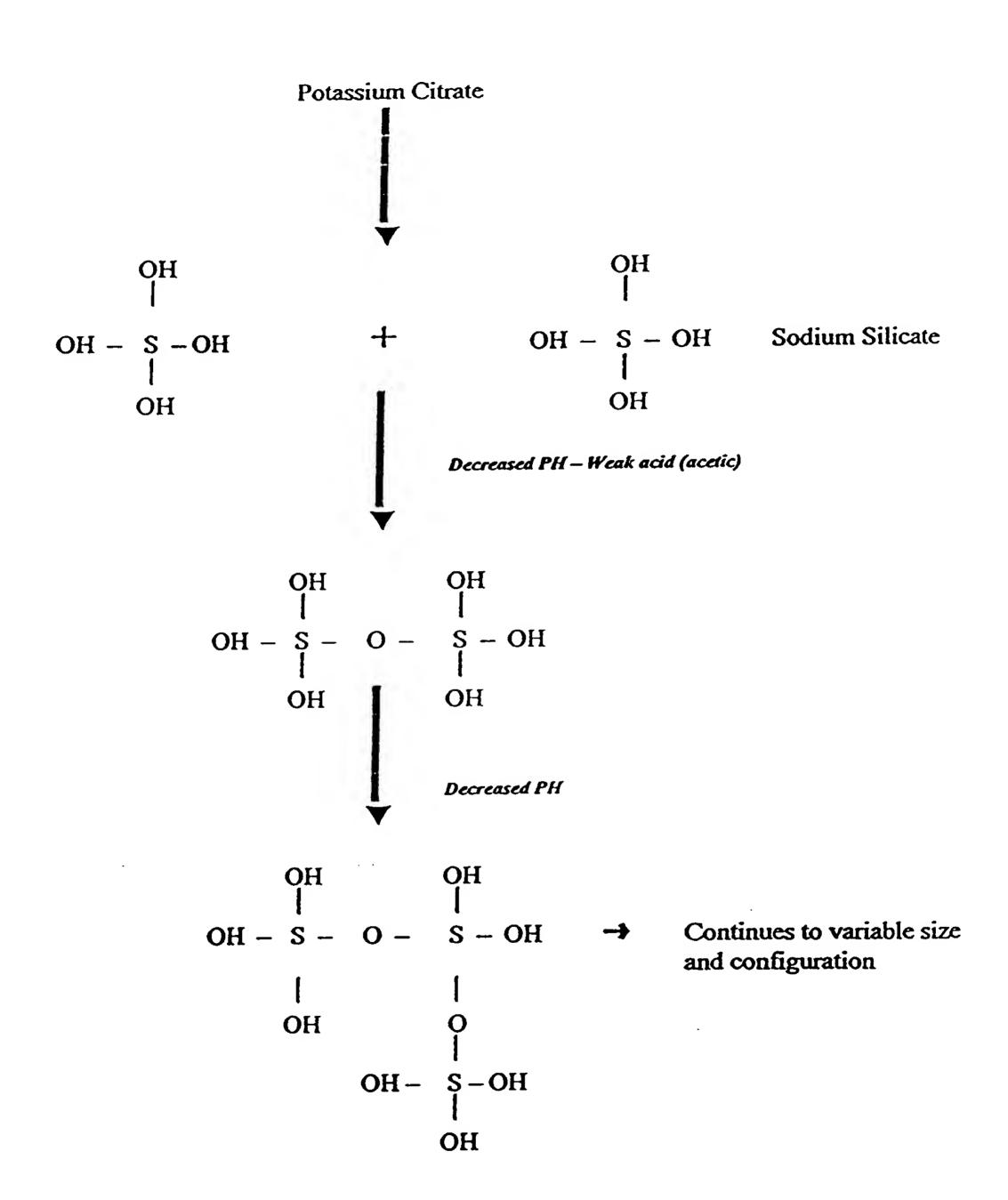


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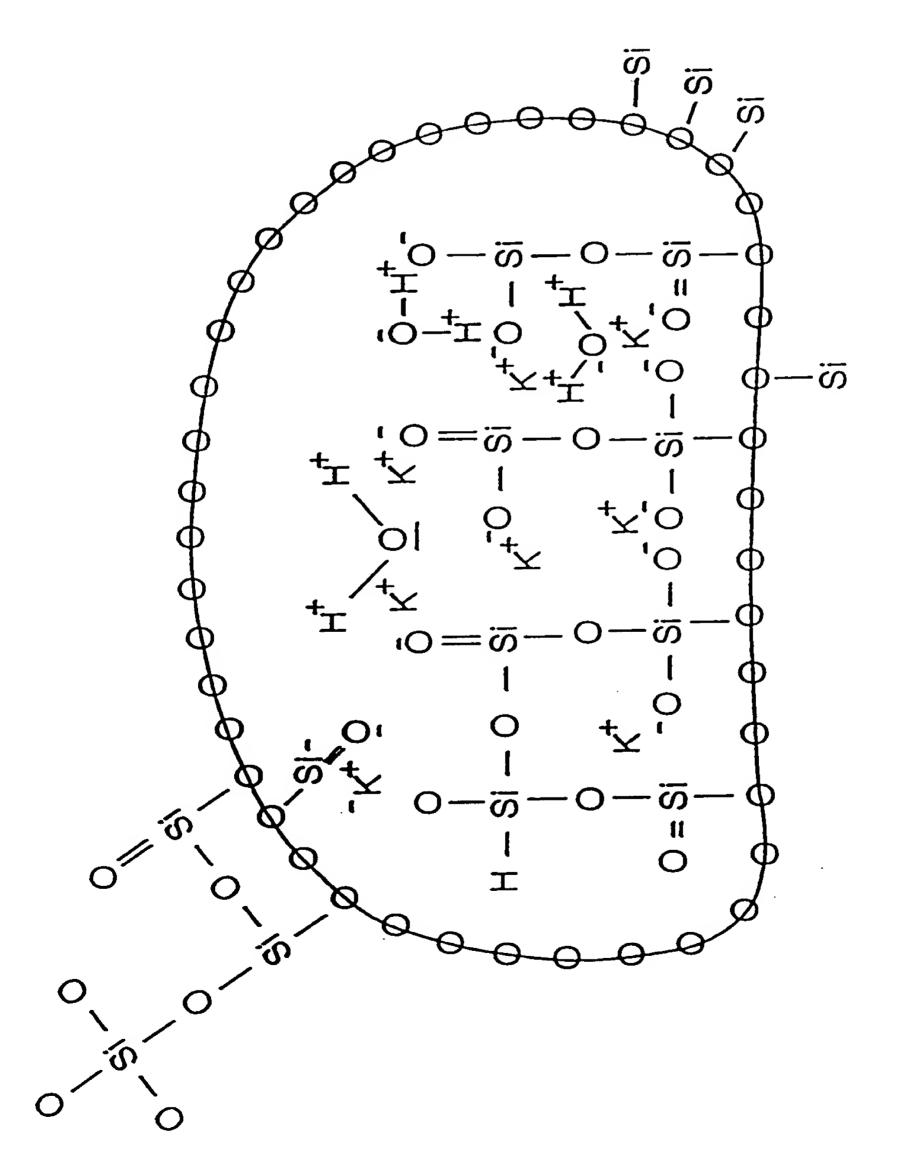


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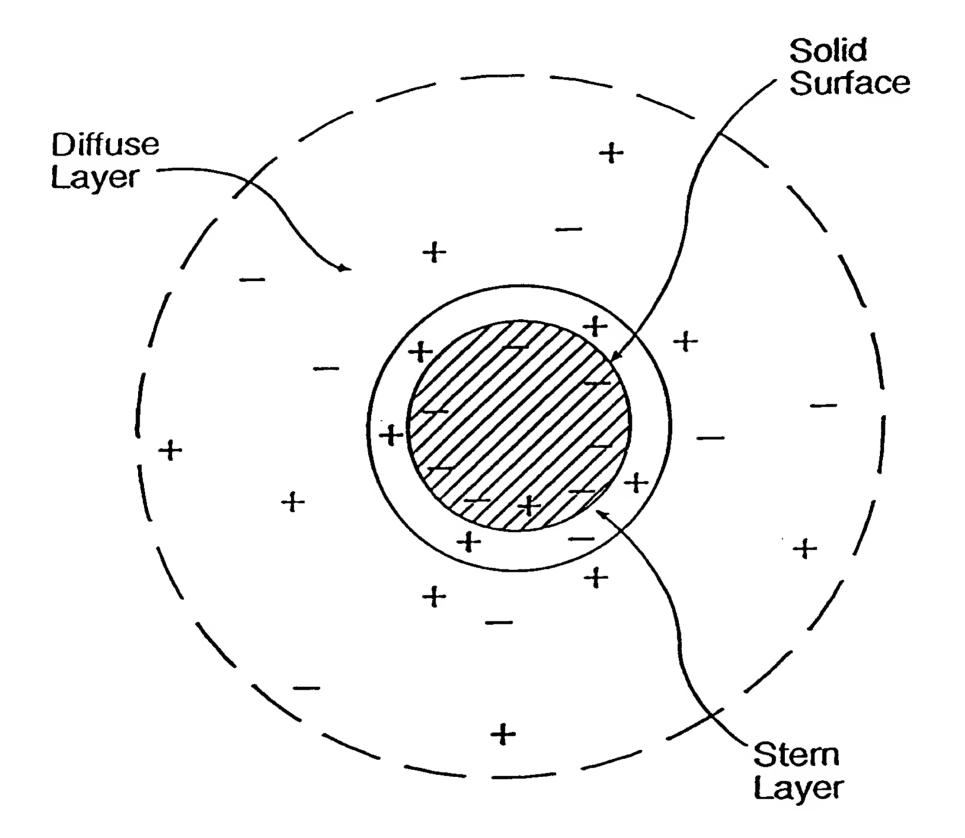


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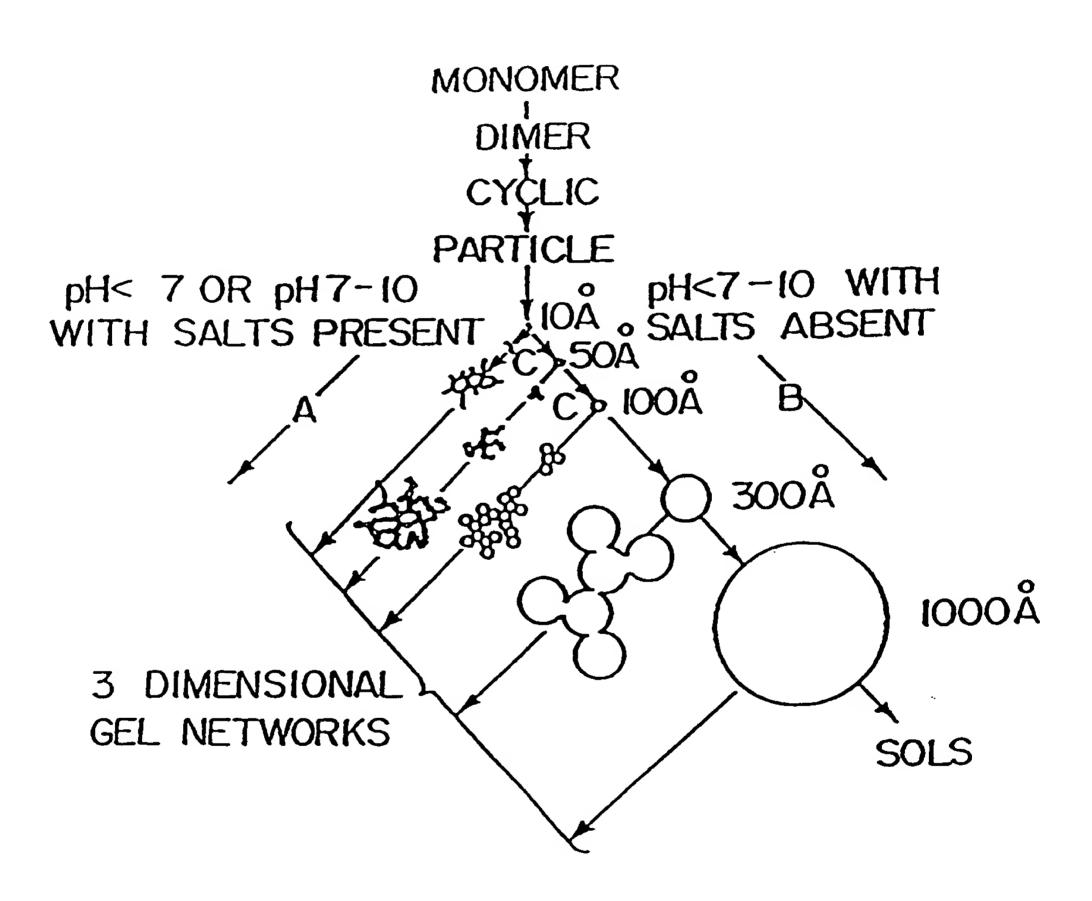


FIG. 5

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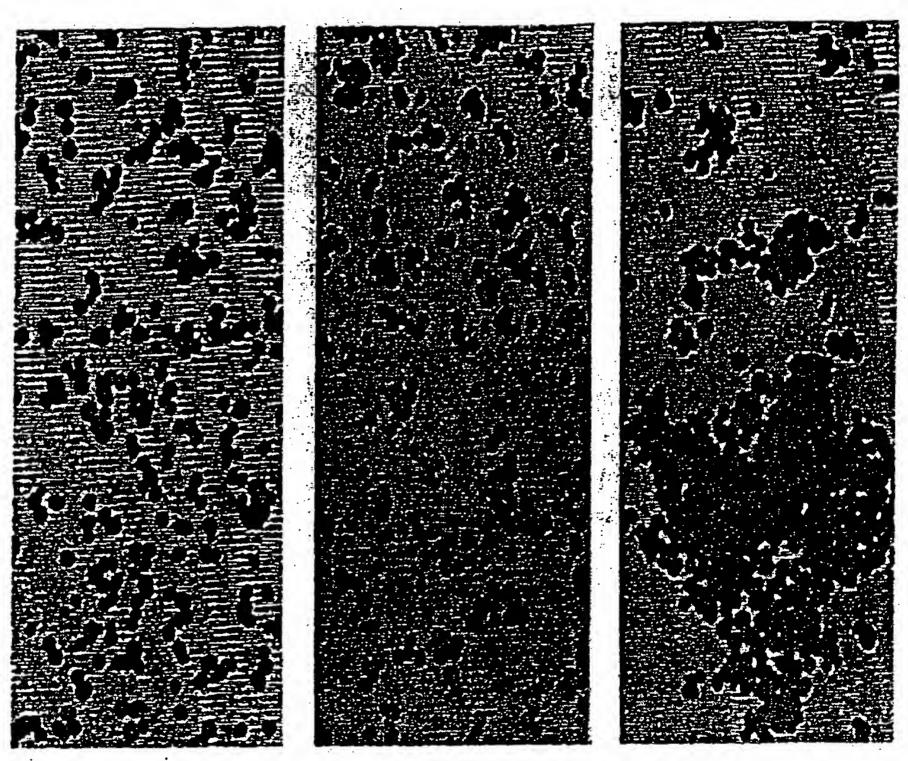
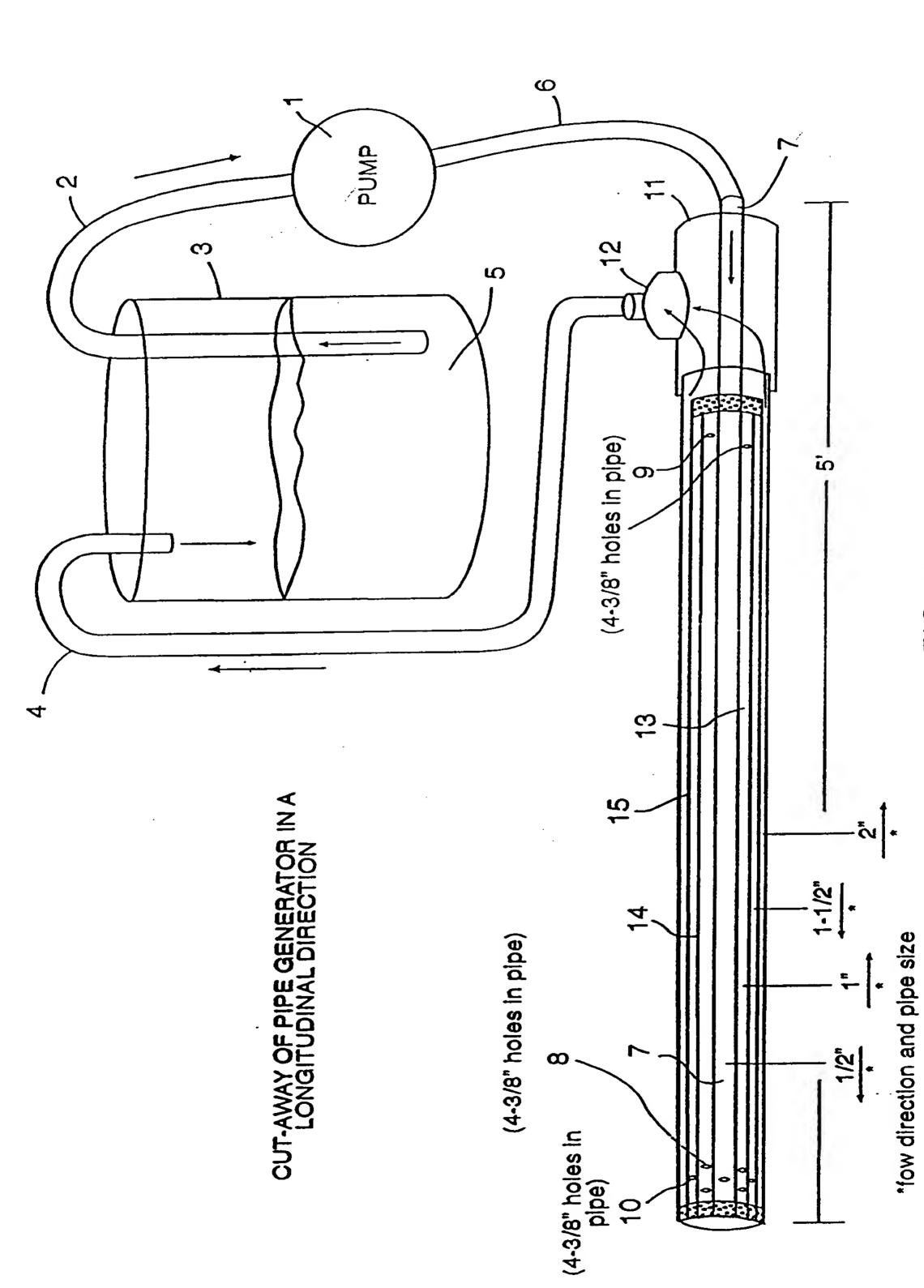


Fig. 26.—Electron micrographs showing stages of aggregation of 35 millimicron silica particles: left, colloidal aggregates; center, aggregates approaching colloidal size; right, supercolloidal aggregates or precipitate.

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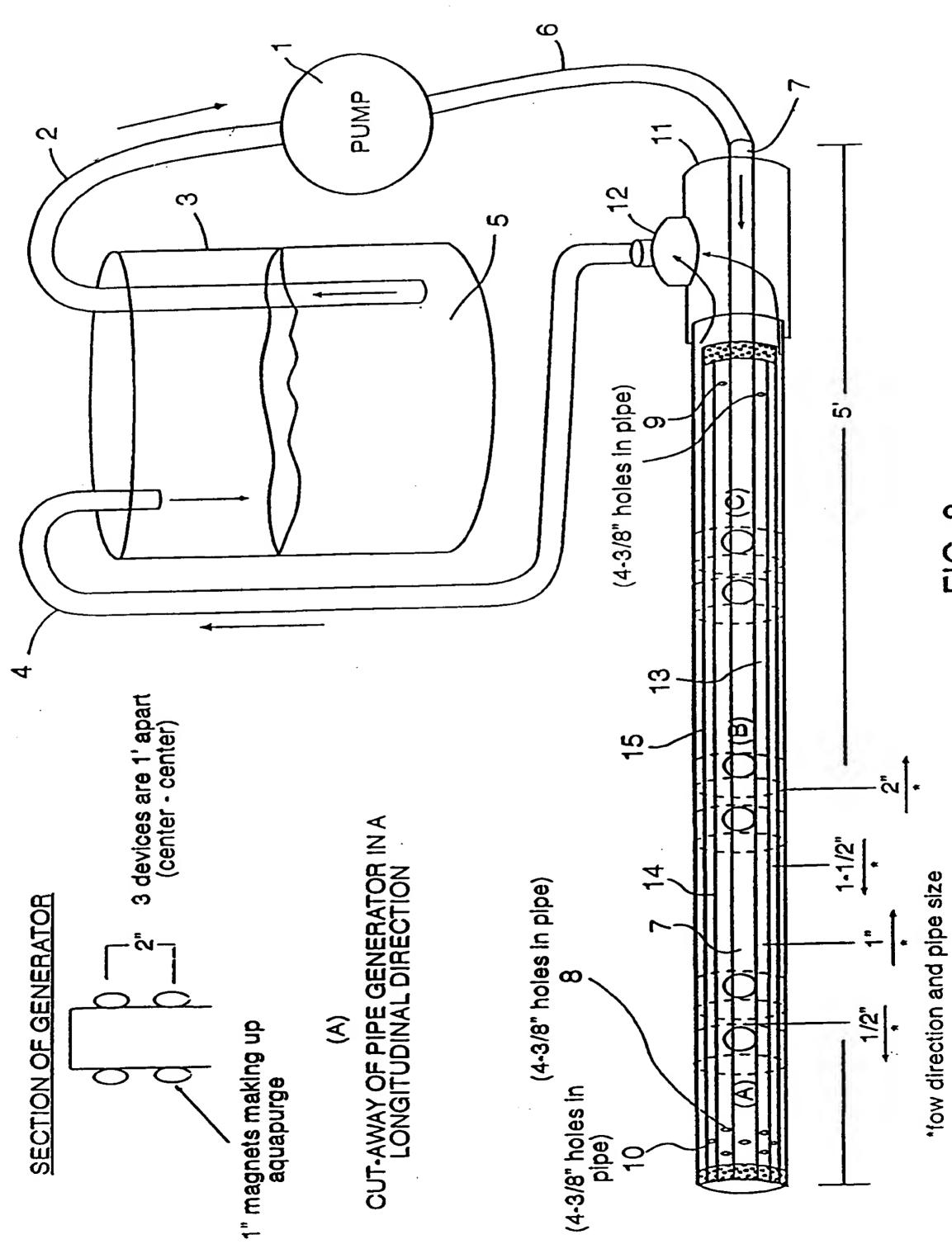
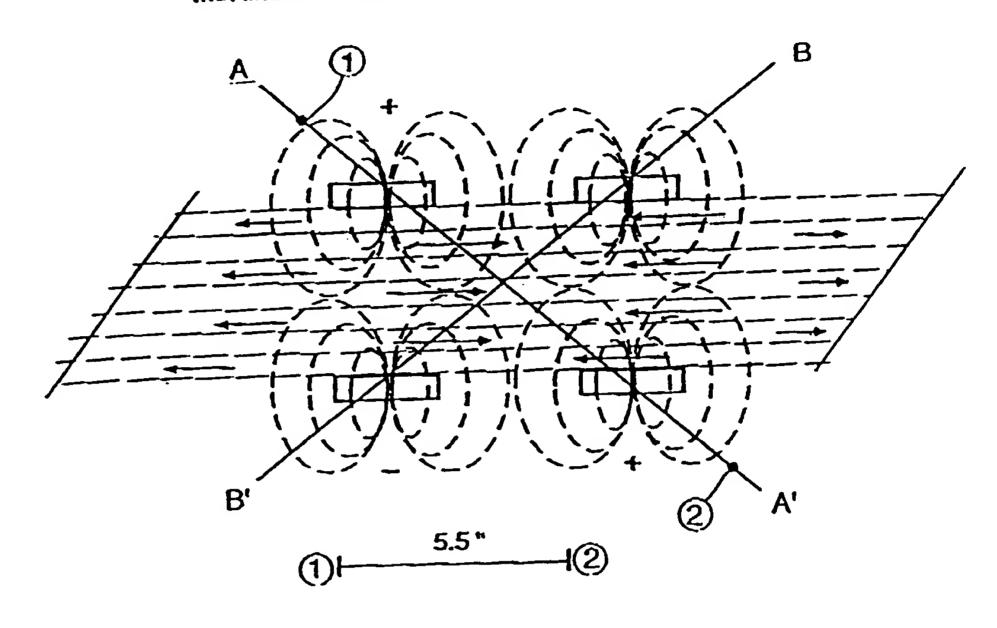


FIG. 8

Cross sectional view of counter current generator of the invention with lines A-A' and B-B' noted for measurement purposes.



Plot of Gradients in "z" axis

60
50
Gauss 40
Field 30
20
10
0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Along line A - A' in inches (")

FIG. 9

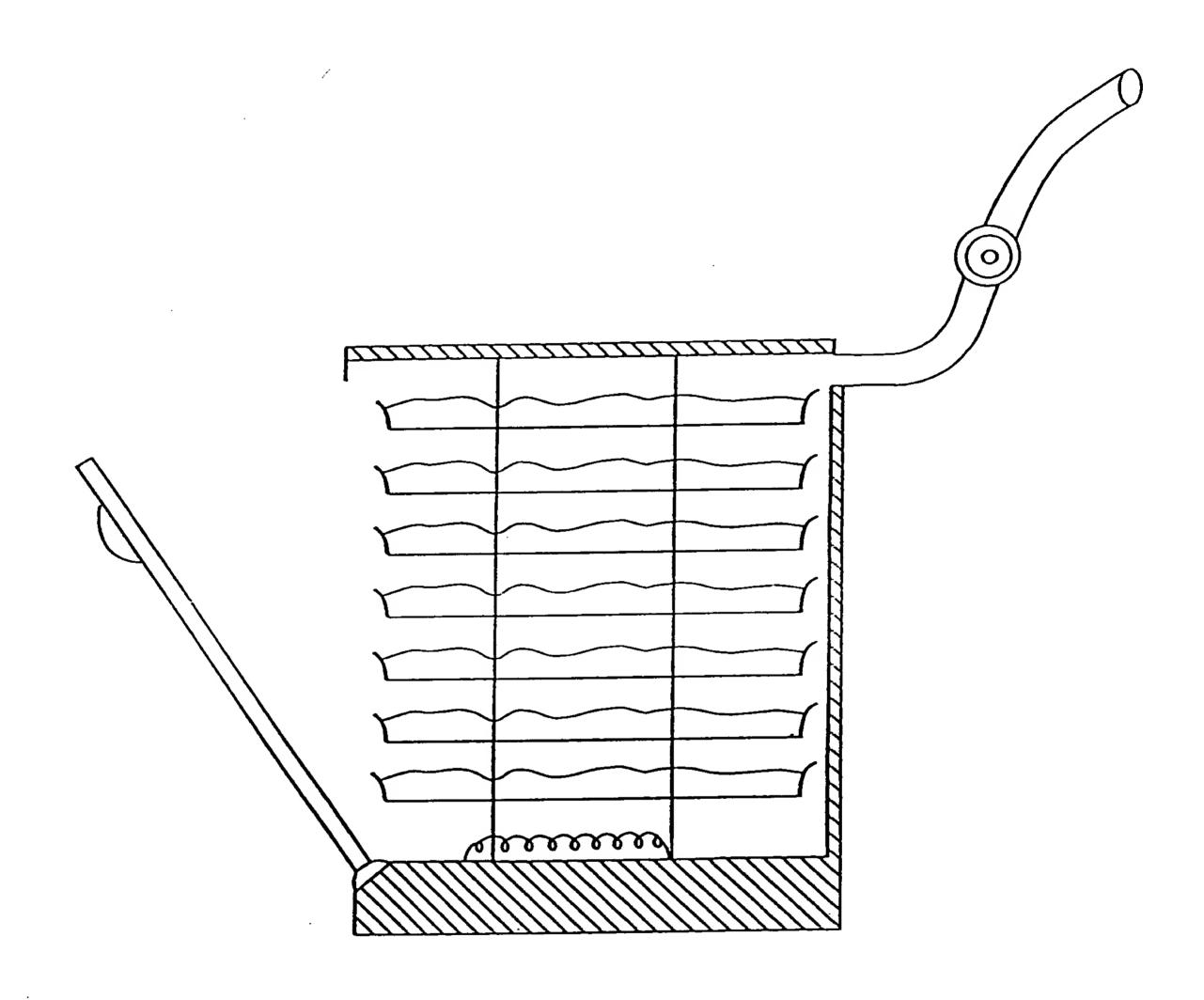


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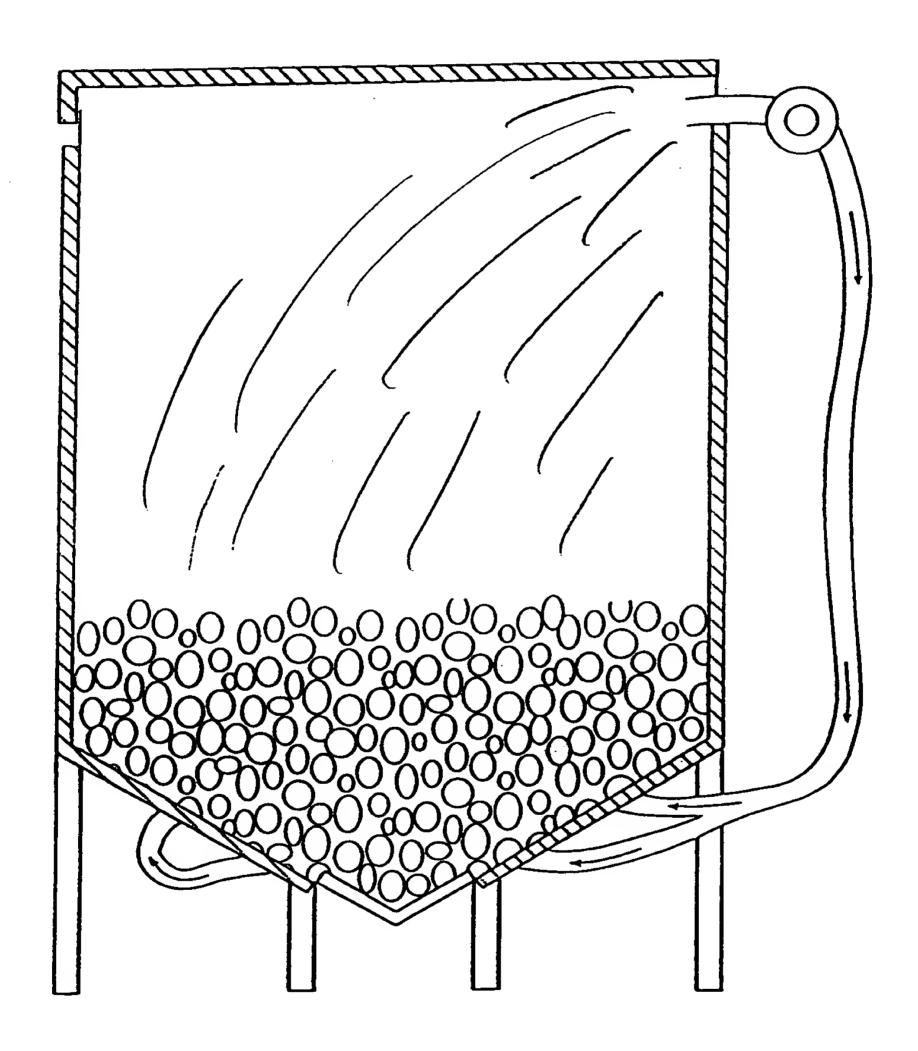


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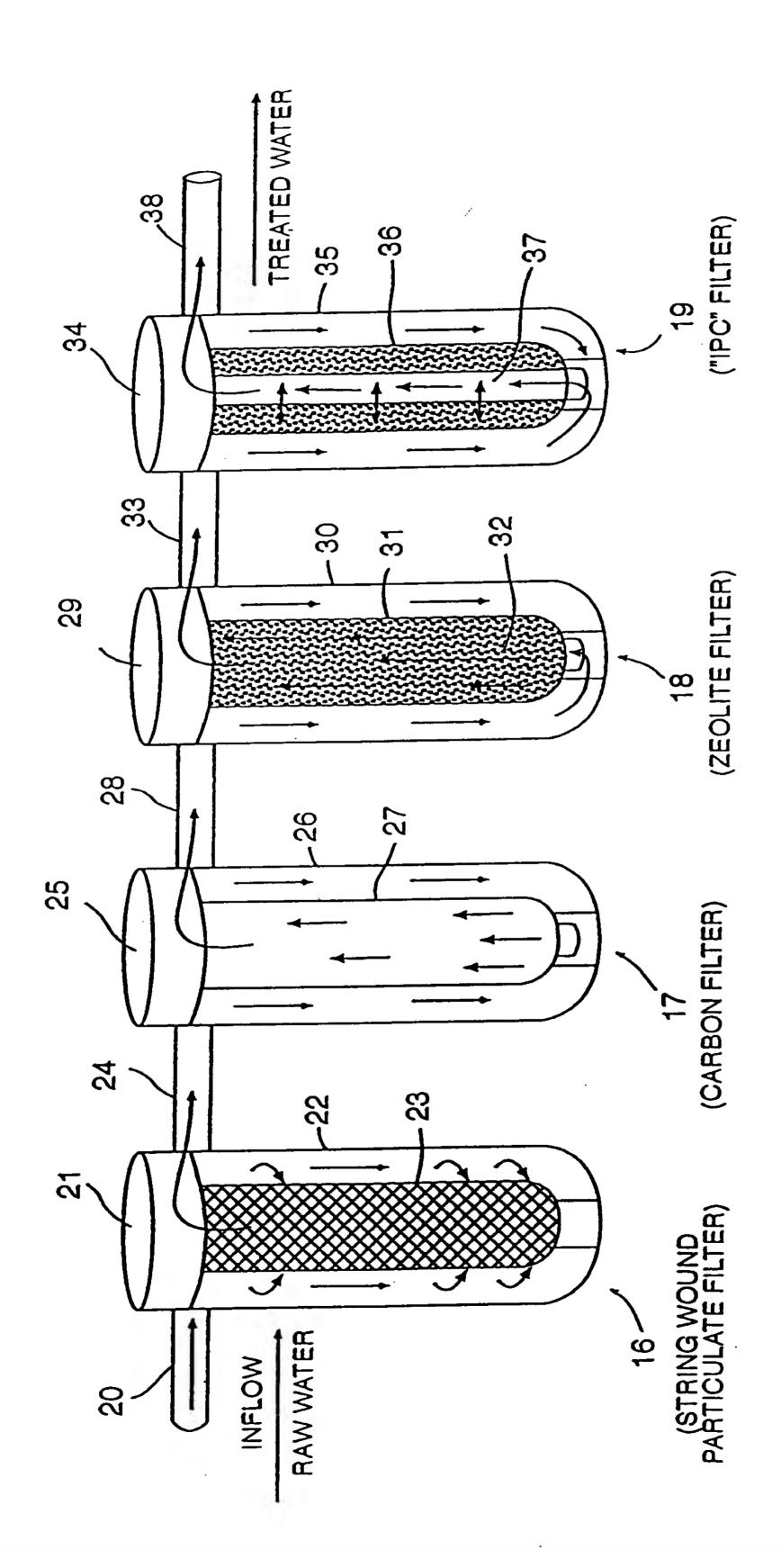


FIG. 12

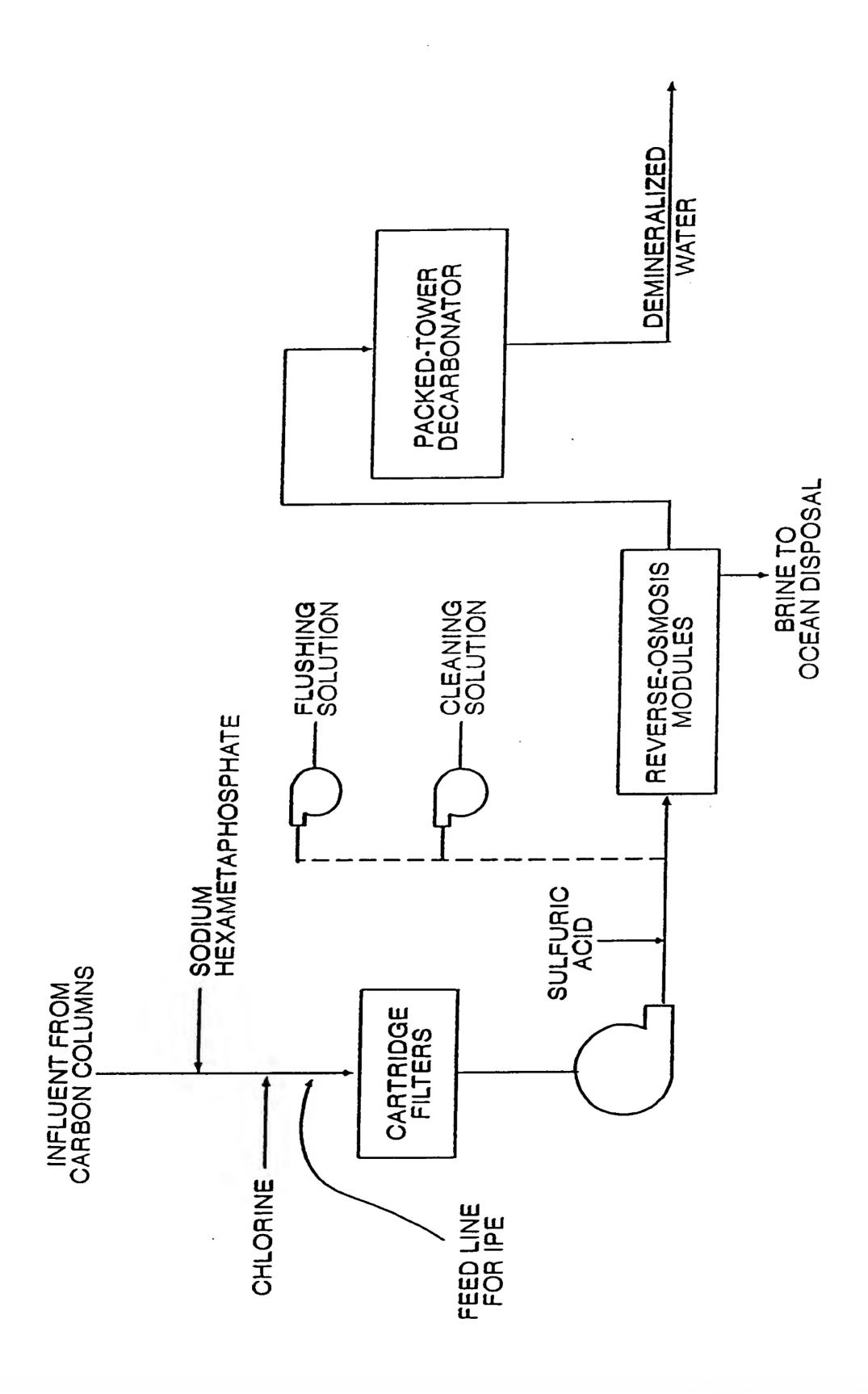


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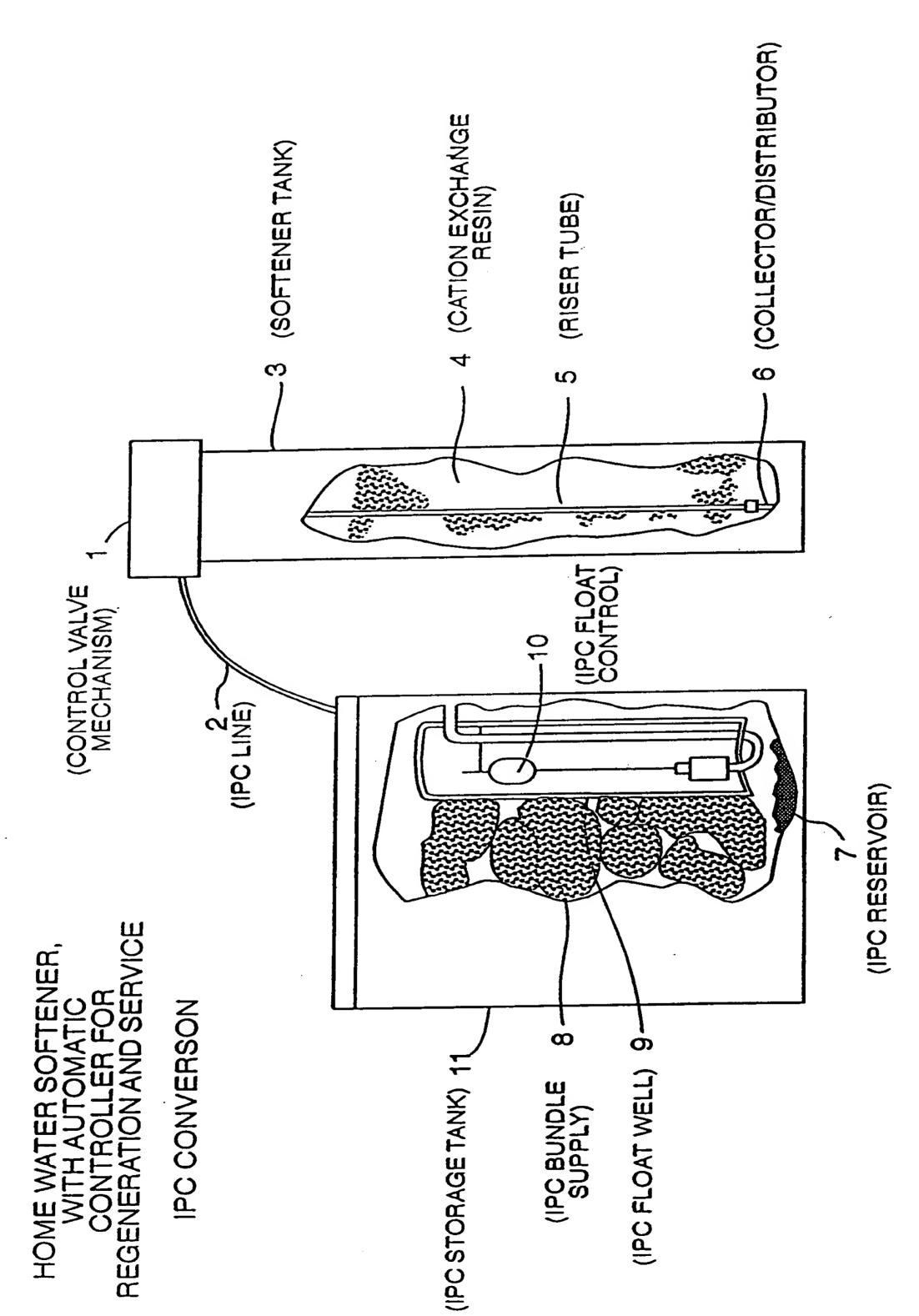


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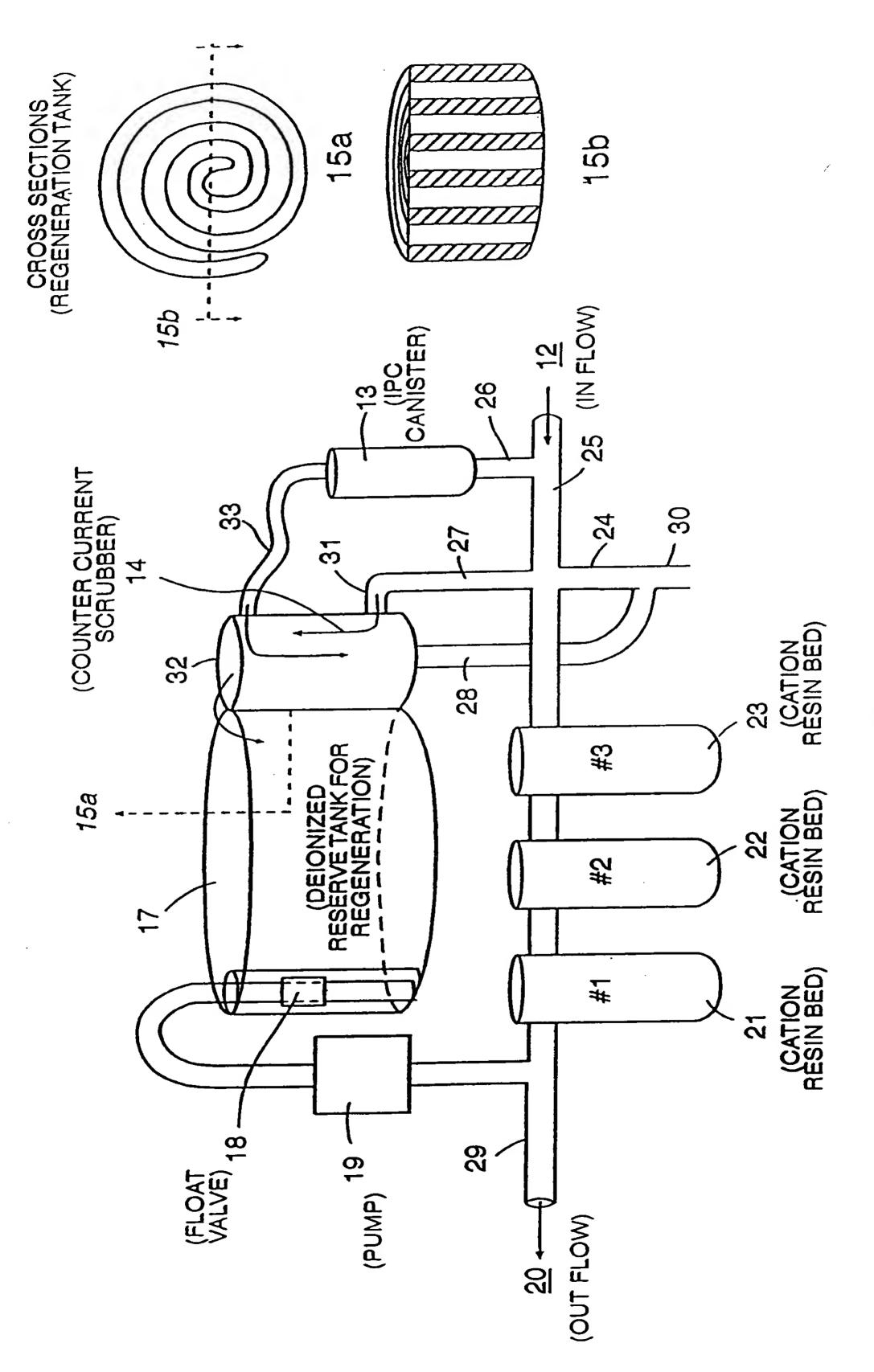


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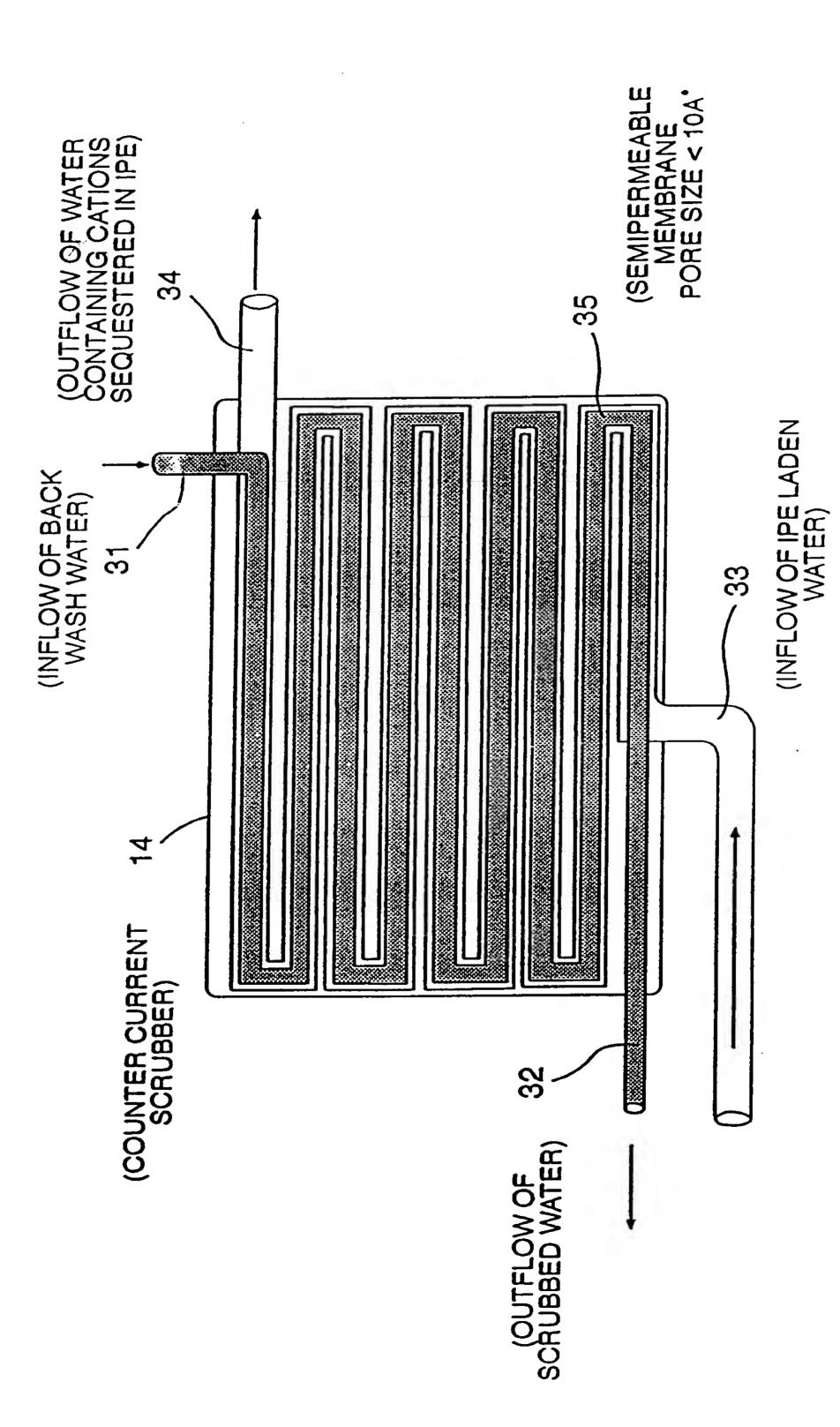


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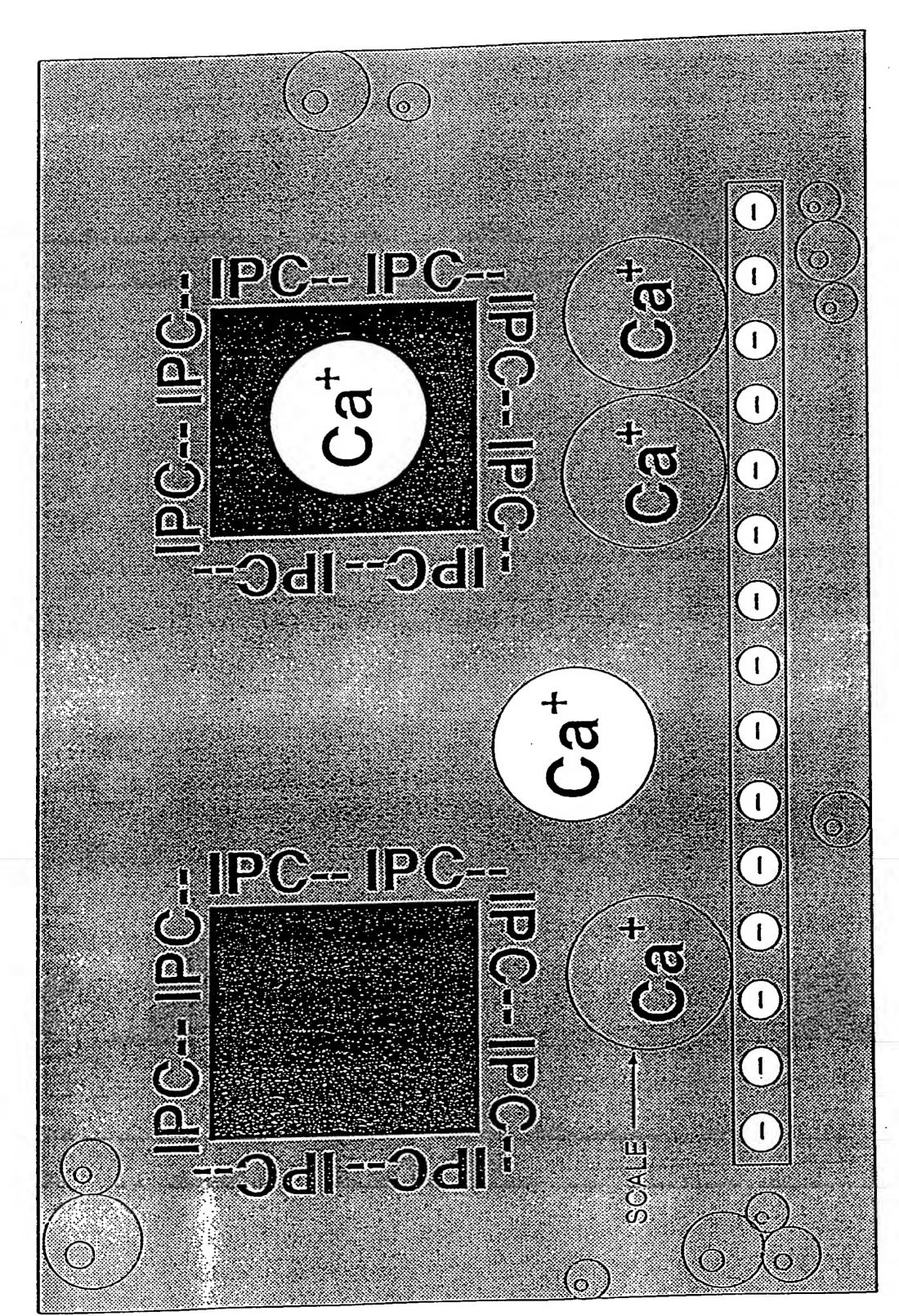


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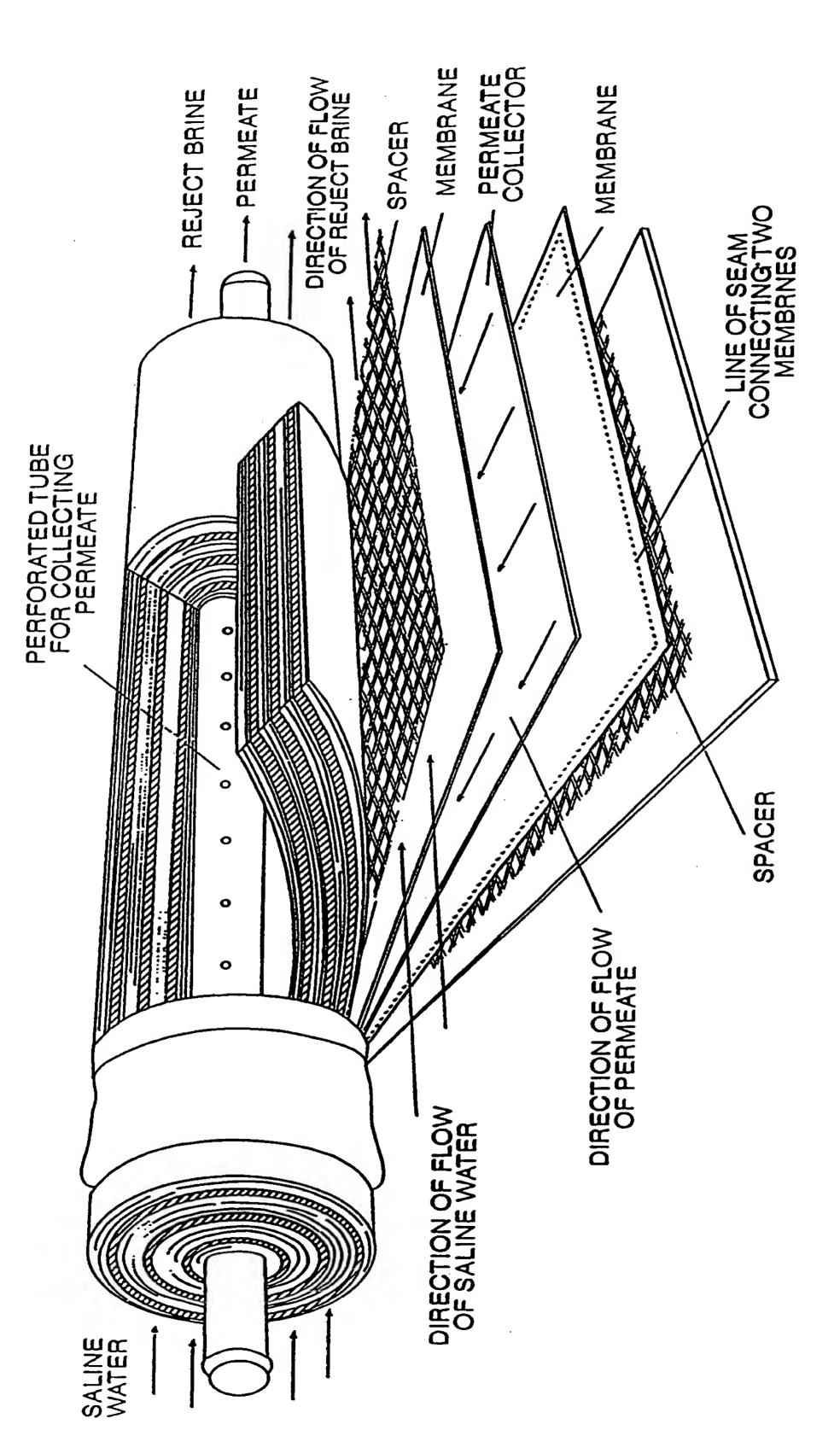


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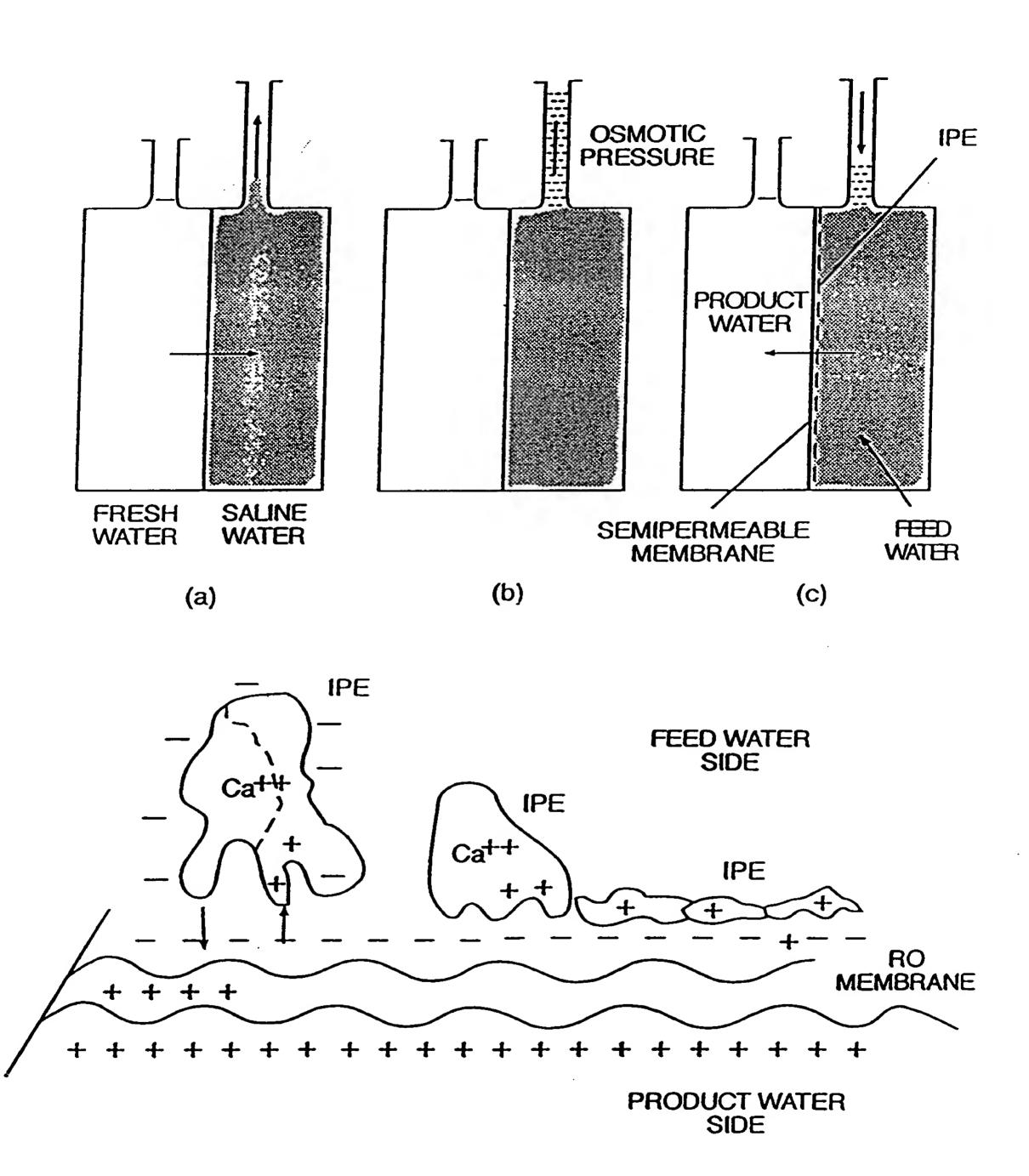


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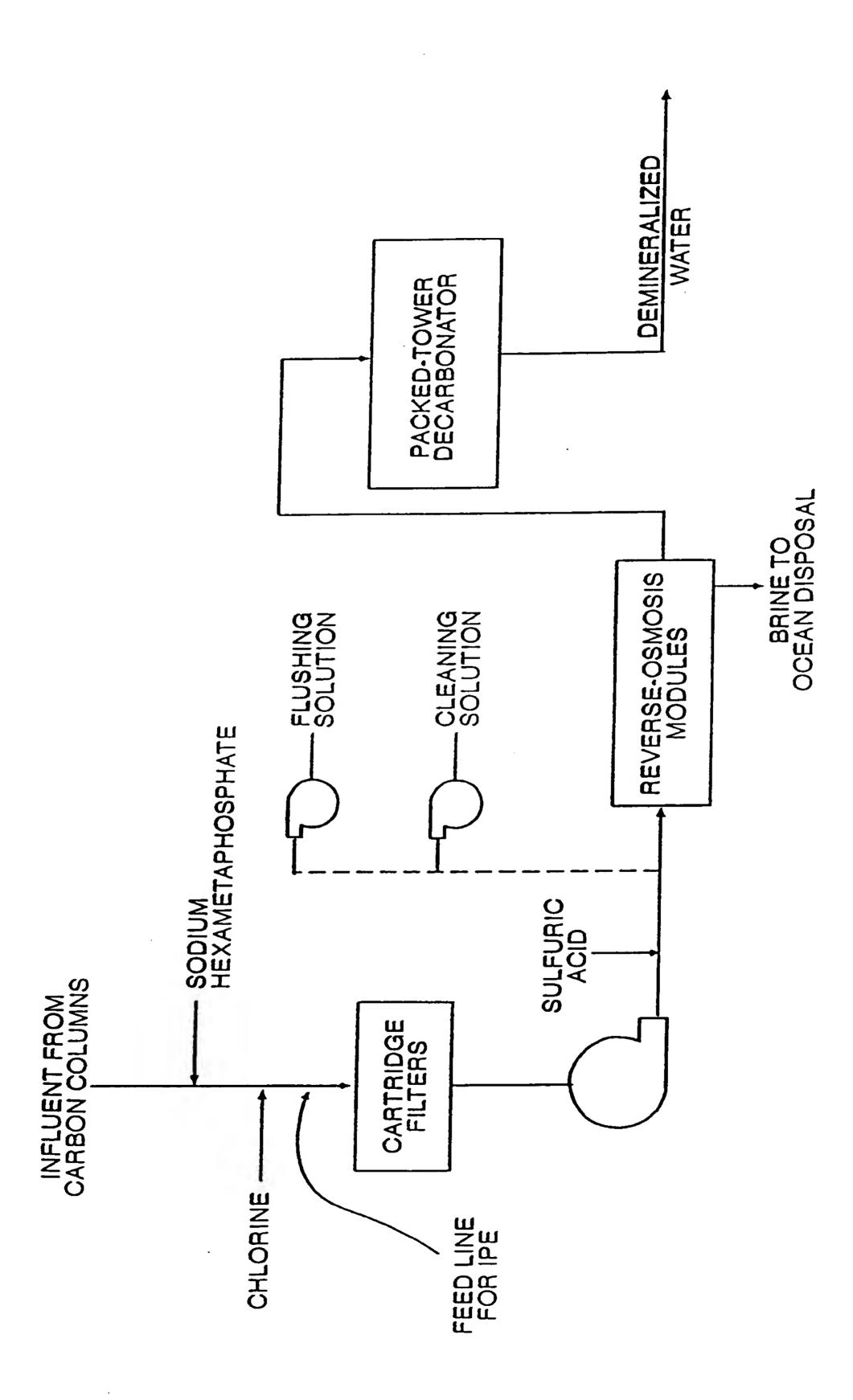


FIG. 20